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GOVERNOR CONSIGNS ALSTON TO LIFE IN PRISON WITHOUT PAROLE

RALEIGH- Gov. Easley has commuted the death sentence of Charles Mason Alston Jr., a convicted murderer who was scheduled to be executed at 2 a.m. Friday, January 11, 2002 for the 1990 murder of Pamela Renee Perry. Alston will now serve life in prison without parole.

Easley issued the following statement on his decision:

"After long and careful consideration of all the facts and circumstances of this case in its entirety, I conclude that the appropriate sentence for the defendant is life in prison without parole."

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